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Applicant: De La Mettrie et al.

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Title: COMPOSITION FOR THE OXIDATION DYEING OF KERATIN FIBRES AND

DYEING PROCESS USING THIS COMPOSITION

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This is a decision on the request for corrected patent application publication under 37 CFR 1.221(b), filed on March 29, 2002 for the above-identified application.

The request is granted-in-part.

The corrected patent application publication will be published in due course and will only include corrections for errors made by the Office.

A patent application publication is based on the application papers as originally filed, according to 37 CFR 1.215(a), which says the following, in part:

(a) . . . The patent application publication will be based upon the application papers deposited on the filing date of the application, as well as the executed oath or declaration submitted to complete the application . . . The patent application publication will not include any amendments, including preliminary amendments, unless applicant supplies a copy of the application containing the amendment pursuant to paragraph (c) of this section.

37 CFR 1.221(b) is applicable "only when the Office makes a material mistake which is apparent from Office records." The instant request includes mistakes that are not the fault of the Office, which will not be corrected by a corrected publication made by the Office.

Specifically, applicant states that the published application recites "radial", where it should recite "radical". Page 16, line 4 of the application as originally filed shows "radial".

The applicant is advised that a "request for republication of an application previously published" may be filed under 37 CFR 1.221(a). Such a request for republication "must include a copy of the application in compliance with the Office's electronic filing system requirements and be accompanied by the publication fee set forth in § 1.18(d) and the processing fee set forth in § 1.17(i)." If the request for republication does not comply with the electronic filing system requirements, the republication will not take place and the publication fee set forth in § 1.18(d) will be refunded. The processing fee will be retained.

Any request for republication under 37 CFR 1.221(b), should be addressed as follows:

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The application is being forwarded to the Office of PreGrant Publication (PG-PUB) in Crystal Park 3-905 for further processing.

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